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*All persons are by nature free and independent, and have certain natural and unalienable rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring, possessing, and protecting property, and of pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness.*

-- Article 1, Section 1, New Jersey State Constitution

## Concealed carry permits rise, felonious killings of police fall

The number of people receiving permits to carry concealed weapons has risen dramatically throughout the U.S. during the last two years, yet the number of felony killings of police officers has declined just as precipitously.

Inexplicable? "This is just the type of thing that was predicted," economist John R. Lott told HUMAN EVENTS. Lott, author of *More Guns, Less Crime* (Chicago University Press), pointed to research by David P. Mustard in Chicago University's *Journal of Law and Economics*.

"States that enact concealed-carry laws are less likely to have a felonious police death and more likely to have lower rates of felonious police deaths after the law is passed," Mustard concluded in his 2001 article.

A sampling of concealed-carry permit (CCP) activity in various states illustrates the increase in demand for concealed weapons:

\* Ohio: Sheriffs issued 33,864 regular CCPs in 2008, 53% more than in 2007, according to the Buckeye Firearms Association.

\* Oklahoma: As of June, the state had 78,000 CCP holders, with more than 21,000 CCPs issued in 2008, according to *The Oklahoman* newspaper.

\* Utah: The Bureau of Criminal Identification processed 2,548 CCP applications in February 2008 versus 8,142 in February 2009. For March the numbers were 4,412 in 2008 and 10,878 in 2009.

Despite the increase in the number of legally carried concealed weapons, 41 law enforcement officers were feloniously killed in 2008, a decline of 17 killings from the previous

year, according to the DOJ report, "Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted." Firearms were used in 35 of those killings, 25 of which were by handguns. Many police officers also died in the line of duty, the majority from auto accidents during police chases.

41 killings is the lowest in recent decades, though in 1999 there were 42 felonious killings.

"Letting law-abiding citizens carry guns reduces the rate at which criminals are carrying guns," Lott said. "Armed citizens increase the risk to criminals, who typically prefer to avoid life-threatening risk and so are less likely to use guns in the commission of a crime," he said.

Lott explained that where there is an increase in CCPs, there is also a drop in violent crime relative to property crime -- fewer armed robberies but more larcenies. Also, criminals tend to move from areas in which more citizens are armed, resulting in an increase in crime in counties and states that restrict gun ownership and CCPs.

"To date [Oct. 2001] we have no examples of law-abiding citizens with concealed-weapons permits assaulting police officers," Mustard wrote. "In contrast, there is at least one example of such a citizen coming to the aid of an officer."

Chicago University Press this spring will issue a third edition of *More Guns, Less Crime*, which Lott has updated to include an additional decade of information.

-- *Human Events*, Dec. 17, 2009

## A Suggested Survival List

By Chuck Baldwin

One does not have to be a prophet to know that we are on the precipice of some potentially catastrophic days.

Can one imagine what would happen if terrorists nuked an American city? (See the CBS TV series "Jericho" to get an idea of how quickly life could change.) What would happen if anything disrupted the distribution of Welfare checks or food? Recall the Hurricane Katrina disaster.

People have recently been asking my thoughts on how they should prepare. First, a disclaimer. I am not a survival expert. However, I have tried to learn from others.

Location:

Would you trust your neighbors if they were hungry? How long could you live without electricity? Needless to say, any city could become a powder keg. If you can afford it, buy a "safe house" outside the city. If you must stay, keep some gasoline on hand, in case you need to leave by car. Plan several exit routes in case roads are blocked. Speaking of cars, a nuclear Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) could result in most late model vehicles becoming inoperable. Accordingly, pre-computer-age vehicles might be the only vehicles capable of going anywhere. Have a "bug-out" bag to live on for 3 or 4 days. If leaving is not an option, plan to secure your home as best you can.

Provisions:

During a disaster food, bottled water, ice, generators, batteries, candles, gasoline etc. will sell out in a matter of hours. Furthermore, most disasters include a complete loss of electricity. The water supply is often compromised. Dehydration becomes a

very real danger. I remember witnessing a man offer a vendor \$100 for a bag of ice during Hurricane Ivan. My wife and I went 14 days without electricity. Believe me, I got a taste of just how precious bottled water, ice, batteries, generators, fuel, etc., can become.

I suggest you have a supply of food and water to last at least 2 weeks. Plus, have water purification tablets or a Katadyn water filter on hand. Get a generator and a supply of fuel. Don't forget first aid supplies, personal hygiene items--especially toilet paper--lighters or matches. You never know when you'll need to build a fire that could save your life.

Do you have clothes suitable for extended outdoor activity? What about boots, gloves, insulated underwear, camouflage clothing? These could become essential in the right conditions.

And one more suggestion. GET IN SHAPE. During an emergency physical strength and stamina become immensely important.

Commodities:

Have some cash on hand. Banks may be closed and credit card purchases suspended. You'll need cash to purchase essential goods (if they are even available) for an undetermined amount of time. Of course, some survival gurus insist that precious metals will be the only reliable currency. My parents made it through the Great Depression with canned goods and garden vegetables; gold and silver were certainly not a priority with them. And maybe it should not be with you, either? In a prolonged disaster, toilet paper, canned goods, ammunition, and clothing could become extremely valuable.

-- Next month: self-defense and spiritual power.

## Police use painful new weapon on G-20 protesters

By Allison Kilkenny

Pittsburgh police demonstrated the latest in crowd control when they used "sound cannons" to blast the ears of protesters near the G-20 meeting of world economic leaders. City officials said this was the first time such sound blasters, also known as "sound weapons," were used publicly.

Lavonne Bickerstaff of the Pittsburgh police uses benign language like "sound amplifiers," and "long-range acoustic device" in an attempt to sanitize what is essentially a painful weapon.

Unlike aerosol hand-grenades,

pepper spray, and rubber bullets (all traditional methods of protest suppression also used at the G-20 protests,) the damage from sound cannons is entirely internal.

The "long range acoustic device (LRAD)" acts as an "unmistakable warning," according to the American Technology Corporation, which develops the instruments. "The LRAD basically is the ability to communicate clearly from 300 meters to 3 kilometers" (nearly 2 miles), said ATC's Robert Putnam on MSNBC. "It's a focused output. What distinguishes it from other communications tools out there is its ability to be heard clearly and intelligibly at a distance, unlike bullhorns."

Except, police aren't trying to send a distress call to allies 2 miles away. They're literally blasting extreme noise directly into the ears of anyone standing mere feet from the cannons. LRAD can blast a maximum sound of 145 to 151 decibels - equal to a gunshot - within a 3-foot (one meter) range, according to ATC. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) reports that permanent hearing loss can result from sounds at about 110 to 120 decibels in short bursts or at 75 decibels if exposure lasts for long periods.

But there is a volume knob, Putnam notes, so its output can be less than max, purportedly to give us comfort in the knowledge that deafening citizens is left to the discretion of power-hungry police. On the decibel scale, an increase of 10 (say, from 70 to 80) means that a sound is 10 times more intense. Normal traffic noise can reach 85 decibels, reports MSNBC.

The BBC reported in 2005 that the "shrill sound of an LRAD at its loudest sounds something like a domestic smoke alarm, ATC says, but at 150 decibels, it is the aural equivalent to standing 30m away from a roaring jet engine and can cause major hearing damage if misused."

This technology has been deployed in Iraq as an "anti-insurgent weapon," and is also being used on protesters in Honduras. *Seattle Weekly* reports that this weapon could easily be used as a torture tool if one doesn't already think this is its only use.

Sonic weaponry is now being deployed domestically to put a chill on free speech. We're told this is the "humane" way to deal with protesters, but it's really just a convenient way to suppress citizens without the messy aftereffects of having to explain bullet

holes to reporters. A bunch of protesters complaining about ruptured ear drums doesn't make for dramatic news.

-- AlterNet, September 28, 2009

## Don't blame the politicians

We will always have "bad politicians" to blame for our upheavals, and no shortage of either, unless we realize and own up to our responsibility to control our society as part and parcel of controlling our own lives.

The Ted Kennedys and other rodents -- by no means to exclude the "Republican" mice and rats -- are merely symptoms of our having left the cellar unattended.

The Blame the Politicians game is for political manipulators and brainwashed public.

-- Jacob Roginsky

## Are YOU Free?

\*When over 40% of your hard-earned money (?) is stolen by fraud, via income taxes to support a central government bureaucracy gone mad?

\*When you can't drive on "free"-ways or public streets without a driver's license and vehicle registration, or be thrown in jail?

\*When you must pay "ransom" to the insurance company monopoly before you can drive your own vehicle on public streets or highways?

\*When you must send your children to a government licensed school, or the State will confiscate your property, kidnap your kids, or put you in jail?

\*When your State approved "tax exempt" church teaches only the one-world religion of obedience to man's government?

\*When the nation's police are more of a threat to life, liberty and property than the so-called "common" criminals?

\*When you must ask the State for permission to marry?

\*When you cannot practice "free" enterprise without being regulated, licensed and taxed by government?

\*When you will be jailed for contempt for exercising "Constitutional" rights without some judge's permission?

\*When you must buy "freedom movement" or underground publications to learn the truth, because the "controlled" media prints only party-line propaganda?

\*When the State tells you when, where and how to build on your own property, and even denies you the right to modify, unless you ask their permission first?

\*When America has more "political" prisoners under lock and key than any

*In the beginning of change the patriot is a scarce man, brave, hated and scorned. When his cause succeeds, however, the timid join him, for then it costs nothing to be a patriot. -- Mark Twain*

other in the world, and is busy building "concentration camps" to house even more?

\*When government knows every financial transaction you make, and your private banking records are made available to their prying eyes without your knowledge or consent?

\*When your President is more concerned about a ONE WORLD ORDER than the Sovereignty of the Country he has sworn to protect?

\*When government and the people have no common interest whatsoever, and must live together in a state of perpetual hostility?

\*When everything you and your children will ever own is mortgaged to the world's bankers, and is collectable on demand?

\*NO! dear fellow American...If you think America is the LAND of the FREE, you are living in a dream world land still believe in fairy tales!

WAKE UP! Study and Support your local Patriot group. Their goal is to establish FREEDOM in America you have only dreamed about!

### Some Vermonters look to secession

SHELBURNE, Vt. (AP) - Peter Garritano thinks it's time for Vermont to call it quits with America.

The way the 54-year-old automobile salesman sees it, the "empire" is about to implode and tiny Vermont can lead the way by becoming its own independent republic. So he's running for lieutenant governor, topping a slate of 9 secession-minded candidates seeking statewide offices.

"Hopefully, it won't take another horrible economic breakdown to realize that the people running things don't look out for the little guy, or us, or the soldiers. It's all about profit and getting the last drops of oil on Earth and trampling people's rights," Garritano said.

The cause isn't new: It's the latest incarnation of a movement that's bubbled in Vermont and elsewhere for years. Alaska, Hawaii, New Hampshire and Texas all have made noise about seceding, to no avail.

Organizers say it's the first time since the Civil War that a secession movement has fielded a slate of candidates for statewide office, although individual pro-secession candidates have run before.

It's unlikely that, if elected, the candidates could accomplish their goal, critics say.

"This is the triumph of hope over reality," said Garrison Nelson, a political science professor at the

University of Vermont. "The whole movement was spawned by having George W. Bush as president. My guess is that with Obama as president and this being Obama's second-best state, the wind has been taken out of their sails."

Long on outrage about the status quo but short on details, the candidates say Vermont could establish its own Social Security system, tend to health care and maintain roads using the billions of dollars in taxes it could save by not paying federal taxes.

But as Dartmouth College professor of government Linda Fowler says, "The problem (with secession) always is the one the framers pointed out: Governmental units that are so small end up being vulnerable to their neighbors, in all kinds of ways."

For now, the secession candidates plan a largely Internet-based campaign; a Web site is planned.

Garritano, an independent, promised his wife the campaign wouldn't cost them much. So far, he's spent \$20 on business cards.

"If somehow, miraculously, I got elected lieutenant governor, I'd make an effort to get back some of our rights - right to freedom of speech, freedom of association and other Constitution-Bill of Rights things that have been taken away from us," Garritano said.

Former Gov. Thomas Salmon is among those who doubt Vermont will ever break its ties with Washington, D.C.

"Do I think Vermont has a realistic chance of seceding in the near-term, midterm or long-term future? No, I don't," said Salmon. "We did our time as an independent Republic, from 1777 to 1791. I think one time as an independent republic is enough."

-- AP January 13, 2010

### Odd thoughts & musings

1. One tequila, two tequila, three tequila, floor.

2. Atheism is a non-prophet organization.

3. I went to a bookstore and asked the saleswoman, "Where's the self-help section?" She said if she told me, it would defeat the purpose.

4. What do you do when you see an endangered animal eating an endangered plant?

5. If a parsley farmer is sued, can they garnish his wages?

6. Why do they lock gas station bathrooms? Are they afraid someone will clean them?

7. Can vegetarians eat animal crackers?

8. If the police arrest a mime, do they tell him he has the right to remain silent?

9. How do they get deer to cross the road only at those yellow road signs?

10. What was the best thing before sliced bread?

11. Does the little mermaid wear an algebra?

12. Do infants enjoy infancy as much as adults enjoy adultery?

13. If you ate both pasta and antipasto, would you still be hungry?

14. Why is it called tourist season if I can't shoot at them?

15. If you spin an oriental person in a circle three times, do they become disoriented?

### The Art of Constitutionalism

By Larry P. Arnn

I mention the art of constitutional government. I mean simply the art that provides good laws directed to encouraging free people to govern themselves. The national defense, secured so well as human contrivance can secure it, has a high place in this art. So too does the provision of a stable currency. So too does the protection of property and contracts. So too does the maintenance of a tax burden that does not stifle labor, savings, and investment....

There are models in our past of this art that would be worth studying again today. They include the wonderful Northwest Ordinance, which provided the largest subsidy to education in our nation's history, and which contained no element of federal management. They include the great Homestead Act, signed by President Lincoln, which gave federal land to any citizen who would agree to live on it and work it. The way out of our entitlement mess is implicit in such acts as these. Everyone should have the chance to work and save. Everyone should have the maximum ability to store up the fruits of his labor for his future, his family, and for those charitable causes that Americans support, and have always supported, like no other people in history. One need only read these short, principled and beautiful laws, and compare them to the kind we pass today, to see the difference. It is not details that should be legislated, but rather grand things, especially ends. We should be seeking to recover in our laws the grand and sublime simplicity of which the Constitution is a beautiful example....

When one sees the principles written in the Declaration of

Independence and in the Constitution, he begins to see then what a revolutionary thing was achieved here in our nation. He begins to see the reason why for two centuries and more the American people have been the last best hope of mankind on earth. By becoming a student of his country, the citizen becomes again an intelligent lover if it.

*Mr. Arnn is president of Hillsdale College. From Imprimis, Dec. 2008, Volume 37, Number 12*

## U.N. Convention threatens gun rights

Michael Farris, J.D., in an analysis released by ParentalRights.org, says a United Nation's report – "The U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child: The Impact on Private Gun-Ownership in America" – poses a significant threat to the right of the American people to keep and bear arms."

Farris says U.N. children's rights advocates "believe, teach and promote the idea that all private gun-ownership is dangerous for children."

He warns: "As the campaign to seek ratification of the 'U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child' intensifies, it is important for all Americans to understand the application of this children's rights treaty to the issue of private gun ownership by American citizens."

*-- America's 1st Freedom, Aug., 2009*

## On Muslim immigrants

Muslim immigration adds a group whose religion and culture causes some of them to reject much of what we regard as essential features of American culture and government. This "ominous development," as the British political philosopher John Gray calls it, is well under way in Britain, "where a minority of fundamentalist Muslims that is estranged from whatever remains of a common culture, and which rejects the tacit norms of toleration that allow a civil society to reproduce itself peacefully, has effectively curbed freedom of expression about Islam in Britain today." Some conservative Muslims in the United States fight assimilation, while the fundamentalists speak of living here "in the depths of corruption and ruin and moral deprivation." They assert that "Islamic civilization is based upon principles fundamentally opposed to those of Western civilization." This is, of course, not true of all Muslim immigrants or even most of them, but that it is true of some may well pose a problem. The British experience may not be a guide,

since the British, unlike the Americans, have no tradition of welcoming newcomers. It is important, nevertheless, that we do all we can to counter the separatist tendencies of some Muslims, even if there is some truth in their statement that we live in a state of moral deprivation.

*-- Robert H. Bork, Slouching Towards Gomorrah, pp 299-300 (1996)*

## Satire on progressives, diversity

I am a math teacher at Brockton High School, the site of a school shooting earlier this month.

Current school security procedures lock down school populations in the event of armed assault. Some advocate abandoning this practice as it holds everyone in place, allowing a shooter easily to find victims.

An alternative to lockdown is immediate exodus via announcement. Although this removes potential hostages and makes it nearly impossible for the shooter to acquire preselected targets, it unfairly rewards resourceful children who move to safety off-site more shrewdly and efficiently than others.

Schools should level playing fields, not intrinsically reward those more resourceful. A level barrel is fair to all fish.

Some propose overturning laws that made schools gun-free zones even for teachers who may be licensed to securely carry concealed firearms elsewhere. They argue that barring licensed-carry only ensures a defenseless, target-rich environment.

But as a progressive, I would sooner lay my child to rest than succumb to the belief that the use of a gun for self-defense is somehow not in itself a gun crime.

Doug Van Gorder  
Quincy, MA

*-- Boston Globe, Dec. 28, 2009*

Immediately after the shootings at Fort Hood, Texas, the Army's top officer, Gen. George Casey, said, "As horrific as this tragedy was, if our diversity becomes a casualty, I think that's worse."

The general is spot on.

There is no more precious national cause than the continued creation and veneration of diversity. Diversity trumps the safety and lives of our soldiers, ourselves and our children. The deaths of 13 brave men and women constitute a tragic loss, but we can take comfort in knowing that their lives were

given in the name of protecting Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan's right to remain a member in good standing of the American military.

It is entirely appropriate that the Army never acted upon suspicions raised by Hasan's earlier, perhaps troubling to some, behavior. It is appropriate because — and we must continually restate this as almost a mantra until progressivism sets our collective heart in the right place — he is an American whose very presence completes our national identity. And although we deplore the acts of violence Hasan allegedly committed, we deeply cherish his contribution to America's diversity.

Doug Van Gorder  
Quincy, Mass.

*--Stars and Stripes, Nov. 18, 2009*

## Progressive talk radio network goes bankrupt

Air America, the progressive talk radio network, said that it would cease broadcasting, bowing to what it called a "very difficult economic environment."

"Air America Media will file under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code," said the chairman of Air America Media, Charlie Kireker.

The company, founded in 2004, never found a substantial audience or sound financial footing. It filed for bankruptcy protection in 2006, but managed to stay on the air.

The network was a launch pad for a small number of liberal media stars, most notably Rachel Maddow, who now anchors a prime-time program on MSNBC.

"It would be a shame if the world sees the failure of Air America as representing the failure of progressive talk radio," said Michael Harrison, the editor of *Talkers* magazine.

Senator Al Franken (Dem-MN), hosted an Air America show from 2004 to 2007 before running for office

In his statement, Mr. Kireker wrote: "Through some 100 radio outlets nationwide, Air America helped build a new sense of purpose and determination among American progressives. With this revival, the progressive movement made major gains in the 2006 mid-term elections and, more recently, in the election of President Barack Obama and a strongly Democratic Congress."

On Monday [Jan. 25], "Air America programming will end," Mr. Kireker said.

*-- Media Decoder, Jan. 21, 2010*

## State Police gains more power

The New Jersey legislature has approved S3104/A4361 in response to the midnight passage of its gun rationing law.

The bill passed without changes beneficial to law-abiding firearm owners as promised by the Firearms Task Force.

Proponents contend this measure would address the problems with the "one-gun-a-month" law; however, it falls far short. While it would, in limited circumstances, allow a law-abiding person to purchase multiple handguns, an individual would only be able to do so after filing an application with the State Police justifying their "need" to purchase firearms together and why it would not be "feasible or practical" to purchase the firearms separately.

-- NRA/ILA Alert 1/8/2010

## BATFE grabs more power

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives is actively issuing directions banning private sales of guns without licenses at gun shows in Texas, despite there being no law to justify such demands.

A caller to the Alex Jones show brought attention to BATF notices handed out at the entrance of the Texas Gun and Knife Show, on North Lamar, in Austin this past weekend.

The flyers state that anyone selling a firearm "will be asked to comply with" conditions including operating through a licensed FFL dealer. The notice also states that "Selling firearms in the parking lot will not be permitted."

"The lady at the front desk used her 'mommy voice' to get everyone's attention." Scott from Austin told The Alex Jones show, noting that the owners of the private building where the gun show was held were contacted by the APD and the BATF and directed to hand out the notices.

-- [www.infowars.com](http://www.infowars.com), Prison Planet, Jan. 19, 2010

## Andrew Jackson and the Bank of the United States

Andrew Jackson viewed as his crowning achievement as President the fact that he "Killed the Bank" by not renewing the charter of the 2nd Bank of the U.S. Our current "Federal Reserve" created in 1913, is the 3rd Bank of the U.S. There probably never has been written a more prophetic vision of what calamity would befall our nation, as argued by Jackson in his Farewell Address (1837):

"We find nothing that has produced such deep-seated evil as the course of legislation in relation to the currency. The Constitution unquestionably intended to secure to the people a circulating medium of gold and silver. But the establishment of a national bank, with the privilege of issuing paper money receivable in the payment of the public dues, and the unfortunate course of legislation in the several States upon the same subject, drove from general circulation the constitutional currency and substituted one of paper in its place....

"It was not easy for men engaged in the ordinary pursuits of business to foresee all the consequences of a currency exclusively of paper. But experience has now proved the mischiefs and dangers of a paper currency, and it rests with you to determine whether the proper remedy shall be applied. The paper system having of itself no intrinsic value, it is liable to great and sudden fluctuations, thereby rendering property insecure and the wages of labor unsteady and uncertain. The corporations which create the paper money cannot be relied upon to keep the circulating medium uniform in amount. In times of prosperity, when confidence is high, they are tempted by the prospect of gain or by the influence of those who hope to profit by it to extend their issues of paper beyond the bounds of discretion and the reasonable demands of business; and... then a reaction takes place, and they immediately withdraw the credits they have given, suddenly curtail their issues, and produce an unexpected and ruinous contraction of the circulating medium, which is felt by the whole community. The banks by this means save themselves, and the mischievous consequences of their imprudence or cupidity are visited upon the public. Nor does the evil stop here. These ebbs and flows in the currency and these indiscreet extensions of credit naturally engender a spirit of speculation injurious to the habits and character of the people....

"The distress and sufferings inflicted on the people by the bank are some of the fruits of that system of policy which is continually striving to enlarge the authority of the Federal Government beyond the limits fixed by the Constitution. The powers enumerated in that instrument do not confer on Congress the right to establish such a corporation as the Bank of the United States, and the evil consequences which followed may warn us of the danger of departing from the true rule of construction and of

permitting temporary circumstances or the hope of better promoting the public welfare to influence in any degree our decisions upon the extent of the authority of the General Government. Let us abide by the Constitution as it is written, or amend it in the constitutional mode if it is found to be defective....

"But you must remember, my fellow-citizens, that eternal vigilance by the people is the price of liberty, and that you must pay the price if you wish to secure the blessing. It behooves you, therefore, to be watchful in your States as well as in the Federal Government. The power which the moneyed interest can exercise, when concentrated under a single head and with our present system of currency, was sufficiently demonstrated in the struggle made by the Bank of the United States....

"It is one of the serious evils of our present system of banking that it enables one class of society--and that by no means a numerous one--by its control over the currency, to act injuriously upon the interests of all the others and to exercise more than its just proportion of influence in political affairs...."

## Privacy: scarcer every day

By Brent Johnson

July 27, 2009 - With every high-tech gadget we buy, we give up a little more privacy. Many devices today are in constant communication with their manufacturer. Furthermore, the technology gives authoritarian states whole new ways of keeping tabs on individuals.

No matter where you go, you're connected. We have opened our doors to corporations, hardware manufacturers, software firms, and search engines. We have allowed them to rifle through our pockets and handbags. They can do as they wish with us, or do the bidding of the powers-that-be, in the form of a totalitarian government, for example.

Don't believe it? Consider a recent incident involving the Internet bookseller Amazon that had been selling Orwell's "1984" and "Animal Farm" to owners of Kindle, Amazon's e-book reader. It turned out that the publishers didn't own the electronic rights; and so Amazon erased the two books - which had been paid for and delivered - from the electronic reader. It turned out that Amazon's readers had unwittingly purchased pirate copies.

In a normal bookstore, a bookseller who had mistakenly sold pirated copies would never have snuck into customers' living rooms, pulled the

offending books from their shelves and left cash as recompense. In real life there are practical and legal obstacles to this sort of behavior. But in the electronic world it was simple.

In today's surveillance-crazy world, your rights to privacy in your home and business are sustaining new attacks every day. Every computer keystroke you make is tracked, analyzed and processed. Your phone calls and e-mails are regularly subjected to sifting and filtering. Your travel plans are logged and the data retained. At any point, some government or non-government agency may determine that your actions call for further investigation, and this can happen even though you have done nothing wrong or even suspicious.

-- Brent Johnson is the author of the #1 sovereignty book - *The American Sovereign: How to Live Free from Government Regulation*. He can be contacted through his web sites at [www.freedomradio.us](http://www.freedomradio.us) and [www.revolutionnow.us](http://www.revolutionnow.us).

### Obama's 1<sup>st</sup> year

By Adolph Reed, Jr.

I January 1996 I wrote the following about Barack Obama in my *Village Voice* column: "In Chicago, we've gotten a foretaste of the new breed of foundation-hatched black communitarian voices; one of them, a smooth Harvard lawyer with impeccable do-good credentials and vacuous-to-repressive neoliberal politics, has won a state senate seat on a base mainly in the liberal foundation and development worlds. His fundamentally bootstrap line was softened by a patina of the rhetoric of authentic community, talk about meeting in kitchens, small-scale solutions to social problems, and the predictable elevation of process over program....I suspect that his ilk is the wave of the future in U.S. black politics."

...The only surprise about his presidency is how many ersatz leftists cling to the fiction that he's anything other than a superficially articulate neoliberal Democrat in the Clinton mold and that his administration would act in any other way.

*Adolph Reed Jr. is a professor of political science at the University of Pennsylvania.*

-- *The Nation*, February 1, 2010

### The new AARP

The heck with the ultra liberal old AARP (American Association for Retired People).

I joined the new AARP (Armed And Really Pissed).

Let me get this straight. Obama's health care plan will be written by a committee whose Chairman says he doesn't understand it, passed by a Congress which hasn't read it, signed by a President who smokes, underwritten by a Treasury Chief who didn't pay his taxes, overseen by a Surgeon General who is obese, and financed by a country that is nearly broke.

What could possibly go wrong?

-- Grandpa

### Fusion centers: the latest stage of the plan

Federal intelligence "fusion centers" are just the latest in the series, of which the Multi Jurisdictional Task Forces was one; and Clinton's crime bill to put "100,000 cops on the street" (actually about 20,000 mostly in desk jobs, as infiltrators) was another.

These fusion centers were responsible for the tainted [MIAC Special Report: The Modern Militia Movement](#), prepared with the help of the ADL and SPLC.

It might seem like "mission creep" to local law enforcement, but the feds have a definite, long-term agenda:

1. To gain operational control of local and state law enforcement, in much the way militias were shunted aside by the Dick Act of 1903 that created the National Guard system.

2. To convert local and state law enforcement to general intelligence gathering, targeting so-called dissident groups, against whom cases can be made that make federal prosecutors look good and get them promoted.

3. To secure noninterference in

protected operations, such as narcotics trafficking, which is a major revenue source for black projects.

4. To compromise and control federal, state, and local elected and appointed officials. A few keystrokes and anyone can be made a tax dodger or worse. (Ever wonder how it was suddenly "discovered" that Zoe Baird and Kimba Wood hadn't collected withholding taxes on their nannies?)

5. To pick off journalists or leaders of dissident groups before their messages can become influential, with rumors, prosecutions, or if necessary, "suicide" them. (As was done with Gary Webb who told me before his death that if he died it would not be suicide.)

It is a long term program to overthrow the Constitution. No surprise about that.

-- Radio interview of Jon Roland on Live and Let Live on [www.ruleoflaw.com](http://www.ruleoflaw.com), Jan. 3, 2010

### Letters

NJ Militia:

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Sorry to have sent the \$10 money order that I am returning to the issuer.

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